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SRI K. ARANGANATHAN :—"There are, Sir, instructions in the Board's Standing Orders that the Revenue Divisional Officers and Sub-Collectors should camp only in the headquarters of the firka when they tour in their jurisdiction. When there is an order like that, why should the Government say that there is no such instruction?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—"Sir, there is no such order, as referred to by the hon. Member. There is an order that the halts and marches should be in the proportion of 1 : 2."

Explanation re a question and reply.

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—"Mr. Speaker, Sir, I wish with your permission to correct a mistake. When hon. Member, Sri V. Balakrishnan, put a supplementary question, I thought it referred to reservation for Backward Classes but I understand it was a question about reservation for Scheduled Castes. My answer was therefore not correct."

SRI V. BALAKRISHNAN :—"Excuse me, Mr. Speaker, my question referred only to reservation for Backward Classes."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—"Then my answer was correct."

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

II.—ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE HON. SPEAKER.

(1) MESSAGES FROM THE COUNCIL.

MR. SPEAKER :—"I have to announce to the House that I have received messages, dated 7th January 1954, from the Hon. the Chairman, Madras Legislative Council, transmitting copies of the following Bills as agreed to by the Council without any amendments and signed by him :—

(1) The State Co-operative Societies (Reconstitution and Formation) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 1 of 1954).

(2) The Madras General Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 2 of 1954).

(3) The Madras Preservation of Private Forests (Amendment) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 5 of 1954).

(4) The Madras Slum Improvement (Acquisition of Land) Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 6 of 1954).

"I have also to announce to the House the following message, dated 7th January 1954, received from the Hon. the Chairman, Madras Legislative Council :—

'In accordance with rule 112 of the Madras Council Rules, I return the Madras Contingency Fund Bill, 1954 (L.A. Bill No. 3 of 1954), as passed by the Council on the 7th January 1954 without any recommendation and signed by me.'